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To Whom It May Concern:

The Arbor Lodge Neighborhood Association submits our opposition to the proposed changes to the Portland Harbor Cleanup Plan that include downgrading the chemical known as benzo(a)pyrene. We join many others, including the North Portland Chairs Group and Portland Audubon Society, who oppose the changes that would reduce the scope of the cleanup plan.

Benzo(a)pyrene is a cancer-causing chemical. We live here with our families and depend on the health of the air, water and soil for our health. It is important to us that this be a safe area to live. The EPA spent 16 years developing the cleanup plan for the site based on the health and environmental risks of the pollution there. The plan was thoroughly vetted and it is time now for the work to begin as planned.

We want more to be done to clean up the 10-mile stretch of the Willamette River known as the Portland Harbor Superfund Site. It is highly contaminated with dozens of pollutants left behind by more than a century of industry. We deplore the changes to the plan that would reduce the amount of work to clean up this site. Please begin the work as initially planned and prioritize the highest level of cleanup.

Sincerely,

Ginger Edwards, Chair

Susan Harris, Clean Air Committee Chair

The Arbor Lodge Neighborhood Association Board and members present at our meeting on
December 18, 2018